

◆ Round the Buoys ◆

December 2007

Australia Day

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Carrum Sailing Club **desperately needs** members not involved with the 470 Worlds to attend the club and assist with the Australia Day celebrations.

Members are required to

- * work behind the bar;
- * demonstrate sailing;
- * Co-ordinate activities;
- * take advantage of a reduced fleet to compete for prize money provided by Kingston Council. and
- * Enjoy the day's festivities

Contact Ian Blencowe 0402-855-671



Josh Petherbridge had "The Mac's" out weeks before being damaged in squall

What's On

January 23rd -30th

470 Worlds

Assist Mordialloc Sailing Club with boat crews at 470 Worlds.

January 26th

Australia Day

See item on this page

February 2nd & 3rd

Long beach Challenge

Trailerable event against Mordialloc Motor Yacht Club. Twilight race on Saturday and am race Sunday.

February 10th

Post Christmas series Heat 1 &

Monohull Champ series Ht 4

Cambur Motors Challenge

Raffle Tickets

Have you sold your raffle tickets?

If not please do so promptly. They need to be returned shortly. That is the message from Club secretary Ian Blencowe.

He said "Whether they are sold or not the tickets must be in by the start of February '08. the Draw is on the 17th of February at Ballarat."

21 members still have ticket books that need to be returned.

To arrange their return call Ian Blencowe 0402-855-671

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RSA Course

A Responsible Serving of Alcohol (RSA) course was conducted on December 10th

Six Carrum sailing Club members attended and we assume have passed the exam.

Kevin Norton, Clint Treloar, Mark Madler-Edwards, Serena Thomas Lloyd Marks and Tim Burnett enjoyed the very entertaining lecture.

Members are urged to enroll in the next course

Clear the Yard

Chris Flanagan, storage manager at Carrum Sailing Club, is requesting that members with surfboards, sailboards or boats clearly mark their items and place them in the correct storage bays or storage area.

Any items not identifiable will be disposed of under the provisions of the "Disposal of Un-collected Goods Act 1961."

Programme change

Due to the club boats being used at the 470 World titles the club sailing scheduled for January 27th has been cancelled.

This does not effect any championship series as none were scheduled for that day

Rays 80th

Club Life Member Ray Cole turns 80 on January 28th 2008.

A celebration will be held at the club on Sunday 27th commencing 4:30 pm.

Ray's family have issued an open invitation to all club members to drop in and have a drink with Ray.

From the Rear

Good day sailors,

As we wrap up the pre Christmas season, I'd like to thank all those members who put a great effort into fulfilling their duty roles. Without our volunteers there would be no club racing, so thank you and well done to all.

The rosters for the post Christmas season

are enclosed in this newsletter (I think).

Please make a note of when you are rostered on. As you can image it is impossible to account for everyone's commitments so of course substitutes and swaps will be necessary. Please note it is your responsibility to organise a swap or replacement if you are unable to do duty. For privacy reasons we no longer publish phone numbers on the roster but if you call myself on 8711 3027 or Ian Blencowe we can help you out with contact numbers.

I would like to take this opportunity to explain the role of the Tower personnel on race days.

The Tower is to be manned from 11am onwards.

There are 2 duty positions in the Tower; Tower Controller and Tower Assistant.

Towers Controllers Role:

- * Monitor the sailing fleet at all times
- * Immediately advise rescue boats of capsized boats. (This will at least mean that the Rescue boat is on its way should help be needed)
- * Monitor the weather and communicate any changes to the Race Officer
- * Fill in the Race Results Sheet with the starting boats
- * Start the time clocks when race starts
- * Record Finish Times (Use a tape recorder when required)
- * Monitor the Radio including communications from other clubs (this could give an indication of a sudden front coming through)

Tower Assistants Role:

- * Assist the Tower Controller
- * Runner to the beach if needed
- * Collect Sign On Sheets
- * Put Out Sign Off Sheets
- * Security Lock the back gate (to the club rooms) when the race starts

Remember

The whole bay can hear your radio communications. Keep it simple and short. If there is something that the whole bay doesn't need to know about USE THE PHONE! Mobile phone numbers for each rescue boat will be compiled and available in the Tower

Note 1

The Tower Controller is not the Race Officer. All judgements regarding the running of the race, and the direction of duty personnel lie with

the Race Officer.

Note 2

It is the Race officers role to contact the duty personnel during the week prior to Sunday's race to confirm availability

The person listed as emergency duty crew will be contacted by the Race Officer prior to the Sunday if they are required.

Have a wonderful Christmas break, and I'll see you in the New Year for some more good times on the water.

Happy Sailing,
Helen

Trivia Night

What a Night Out!!

Despite injuring her foot and being on crutches Wendy Lewis organised and conducted the trivia night in November

The night was enjoyable for any age group. There were games and fun rounds but the Trivia was still there too; from "Aussie, Aussie, Aussie" (which when announced the extra of this chant was enthusiastically shouted too!) to TV/Movies, Video Clips, Celebrity Heads, a little of the very popular TV show "Spics & Specs" with Quick Draw Song Titles & Music Mayhem. There was something for every age group to answer. Did that make it too easy? NO WAY! It meant everyone was able to contribute and have fun.

The games between rounds (Wendy sends a huge "thanks" to Stephen Morris for his input) including the "Elimination Game" "Heads n Tails" and "Bingo" certainly were a hit.

On top of this there were plenty of Auctions & Raffles of donated goods from sailing club members and local shops canvassed by Wendy. Many there that night went home with a weird and wonderful prize or purchase such as a Bohemian Crystal Decanter set Christmas Gift (don't tell Wendy!!)

Many are looking forward to the next one – it was a great night out that all (approx 60) enjoyed it, in the process raising over \$1200 for the sailing club.

Thanks again to Wendy and those who helped til Midnight the night before to wrap and present prizes so beautifully. That includes Anne & Peter Hansford (& their patient girls studying alongside) Carol, Chris & Rebecca Flanagan,

Helen & Michael Ruhsam, Kerry McClelland & Renate Janska. On the night Ian, Scott & Kathryn Blencowe, Helen & Michael Ruhsam and Chris Flanagan helped behind the bar

Thanks!

Messy Games

The last Sunday of the sailing season for 2007 Carrum Sailing Club held it first ever Messy Games. Involving a large variety of food and interesting games it was a day of fun and laughter for all.

Nervous observers watched the games from the balcony as the players below threw themselves into a messy, sometimes sticky yet delicious situations. There were many memorable moments, children got covered in spaghetti, faces covered in chocolate, and Mitch Ciminelli's mate Mitchell yelling "MY HAIR" as he came up from bobbing for chocolate.

The morning was full of many laughs and excitement. To wrap up a story was told involving four unsuspecting victims being covered with the remaining contents of Messy Games. After completing the story, compere Rebecca Flanagan ran towards the water to get away from the four men she had covered in gunk close on her tail. "I didn't want to give them the satisfaction of throwing me in the water so I did it my self" she said.

The Messy Games went well. Many are looking forward to the next year's installment of the "story".

Monologue

Pre Christmas Series Heat 8 & Club Championship Heat 3 - 3/12/07

There was a low turn out due to strong northerly winds in the morning. Again those turning up despite the weather were rewarded with a good sail in the afternoon as the wind dropped. Those brave souls were Steve Murphy, Tim Burnett and Ross Shilton / Serena Thomas.

Without incident all three completed the course with Tim Burnett being unable to repeat the performance from previous weeks

See results tables next page.

Pre-Christmas Ht 8 Monohulls

Name	YS	Pts	Hcp	Time	Pts
Red Hot Go	16.99	2		16.67	1
Bonus	DNC	9		DNC	9
Sta Sharp	19.20	3		19.38	3
Moby Duck	DNC	9		DNC	9
BSTLT	DNC	9		DNC	9
Turkey	DNC	9		DNC	9
Bugs	DNC	9		DNC	9
Slasher	DNC	9		DNC	9
The Flying Basset	DNC	9		DNC	9
Emmi	DNC	9		DNC	9
Tad	DNC	9		DNC	9
Louise	DNC	9		DNC	9
Parks	DNS	4		DNS	4
Duck Season	16.58	1		16.86	2

Pre-Christmas Series Monohulls - YS

Name	Pts	Discard	Total
Red Hot Go	3 1 2 2 1	3	6
Bonus	3 2 3 2 9	9	10
Moby Duck	8 9 9 1 9	9	27
BSTLT	9 4 1 9 9	9	23
Turkey	9 9 9 9 9	9	36
Slasher	9 9 9 9 9	9	36
The Flying Basset	9 9 9 9 9	9	36
Emmi	9 9 9 9 9	9	36
Tad	9 9 9 9 9	9	36
Louise	9 9 9 9 9	9	36
Parks	3 4 5 9 2	9	14

Catalogue

Pre Christmas Series Heat 8 - 3/12/07

Like the Monohulls there was a low turn out due to strong northerly winds in the morning. Dave Burnett, Zoe Burnett & Josh Petherbridge were able to sail in the afternoon after the wind dropped.

Dave Burnett again forgot to plug all holes on a boat when setting up and sent Zoe out mi-

Championship Ht 3 Monohulls

Name	YS	Pts	Hcp	Time	Pts
Red Hot Go	16.99	2		16.861	2
Bonus	DNC	9		DNC	9
Sta Sharp	19.20	3		19.296	3
Moby Duck	DNC	9		DNC	9
BSTLT	DNC	9		DNC	9
Turkey	DNC	9		DNC	9
Bugs	DNC	9		DNC	9
Slasher	DNC	9		DNC	9
The Flying Basset	DNC	9		DNC	9
Emmi	DNC	9		DNC	9
Tad	DNC	9		DNC	9
Louise	DNC	9		DNC	9
Parks	DNS	4		DNS	4
Duck Season	16.58	1		16.758	1

Pre-Christmas Series Monohulls - Hcp

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Red Hot Go	3 1 2 2 1	3	6
Bonus	3 2 3 2 9	9	10
Moby Duck	8 9 9 1 9	9	27
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Slasher	9 9 9 9 9	9	36
The Flying Basset	9 9 9 9 9	9	36
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Tad	9 9 9 9 9	9	36
Louise	9 9 9 9 9	9	36
Parks	3 4 5 9 2	9	14

Pre-Christmas Series Heat 8 Multihull

	YS	Pts	Hcp	Pts
The Mac's	DNC	4	DNC	4
Green Machine	22.68	1	22.12	1
David Richards	DNC	4	DNC	4
Duck Dive	DNS	3	DNS	3
Le Mog	23.25	2	22.91	2

Pre-Christmas Series Results Multihull - HCP

	Pts				Discard	Total
The Mac's	1	3	1	4	4	5
Green Machine	3	4	4	1	4	8
David Richards	3	4	4	4	4	11
Duck Dive	3	4	4	4	4	11
Le Mog	3	1	1	2	3	4

Pre-Christmas Series Results Multihull - YS

	Pts				Discard	Total
The Mac's	1	3	1	4	4	5
Green Machine	3	4	4	1	4	8
David Richards	3	4	4	4	4	11
Duck Dive	3	4	4	4	4	11
Le Mog	3	1	1	2	3	4

nus the inspection ports closed. He also fell overboard and had the boat sail away from him. Zoe offered to pick him up but was declined so she called on a nearby jet skier who got Dave back to the boat. How did he reward her? He had the cheek to pass her on the line.

Trailerable

Editorial

Well once again we hit the half way point of the season and it is only a few days away from Christmas and less to the Summer solstice after which the days get shorter. This means we have less of the bright evening time to do the work on our boats we never got around to pre-season, and what with the demands of the festive season we will probably not get around to it until the Winter. The pre-Christmas season has been run and won, and new boats are due to face the starter in the Post Christmas, after the Worlds 470 Titles have been completed at Mordialloc Sailing Club. Also ahead lies the Australia Day celebrations at the Club which we make available to Kingston City Council who also provide a free barbecue and a cash prize for the Sail Speed Trial. As many of our number will be away on duty at the Worlds we will need people to staff the Club and layout marks etc and take people out for a sail in a drive for new members and to promote the February Learn to Sail Course.

HEAT 8 Final Heat Pre Christmas Series

With Captain Moonlite and Bushranger on

Duty, only three of our regulars were there for this heat actually sailing . In fact the conditions and the forecast seemed to indicate that there may not be any sailing at all with a 15-18 kn Northerly with a trace of East blowing the sand along the beach and a forecast for a heavier breeze from the North in the afternoon. As things transpired however we had a race with the yellow peril Eskimo getting away on time with starter Doc fresh from a YV Race Management Course doing the honours in the start boat. Not far astern at the start was Chad Kirsty and Lloyd in Casper while Eric and Ron and a couple of pierhead jumpers recruited by Serena were laggards aboard Bitter Sweet. Eskimo was on her best behaviour with Rocky Naughtin on his last sail aboard as crew for that yacht, as he is now the proud owner of yet another Careel 18 shortly to be renamed in some obscure but unmistakably saintly manner. He had just towed her from Muswellbrook in the feral country to the north of the Murray.

While Eskimo with No 2 and a reefed main led by a huge margin at the windward mark and kept increasing her lead, there was action aplenty among the 18footers. Bitter Sweet had overtaken Casper and was carrying her kite along the 1st reach with Ron standing on the foredeck with one hand resting on the pole and the other lightly grasping the forestay, when a wave swept the stern around, she gybed and laid over on her beam ends catapulting Ron into the drink. She lay there for a second or so exposing her bottom and the keel to the crew of the rescue boat only metres away, then immediately assumed the normal sailing attitude, albeit with a bit of a mess on the foredeck. Ron, fit, active and resourceful, was

Pre-Christmas Series Heat 8 Trailerable

	CBH	Pts	Hcp	Pts
CONVERTER 21	DNC	4	DNC	4
CASPER	8.51	3	6.94	1
CAPTAIN MOONLITE	DUTY	2	DUTY	2
BUSHRANGER	DUTY	1	DUTY	2
ESKIMO	7.56	1	7.70	3
BITTER SWEET	8.46	2	7.50	2
ASGARD	DNC	4	DNC	4
EXPECTING IN FEB	DNC	4	DNC	4
PROBLEM CHILD	DNC	4	DNC	4
SALTY PLUM	DNC	4	DNC	4
INDULGENCE	DNC	4	DNC	4

soon spotted hanging on to the transom boarding ladder and climbed aboard with a relieved Eric assisting him.

Meanwhile Casper had managed to bridge the gap between them and rounded the wing mark ahead of Bitter Sweet. This was not to last and Bitter Sweet led Casper home. As the table indicates Eskimo cleaned up shaking out the reef in her mainsail to take out line honours, CBH and getting third on Performance Handicap, Bitter Sweet collecting a second on CBH and also on Performance Handicap, while Casper won on Performance Handicap and was third on CBH.

Last Pre Christmas event

This was to be a no points race and after that other non event "War on Water" shirked by the wise, a race was got away in calm conditions despite a strong wind warning. During the race a hard and sudden front from the SW came in which capsized the dinghy fleet and even laid Captain Moonlite on her beam ends. Casper remained again in the usual position with the boat under the mast. The rescue boats with Doc and Ian at the helms were superb, and the special effort of Scotty Blencowe, Eric Clark and Commodore Deano in launching the tinny and assisting in various rescues was greatly appreciated. Rear Commodore Helen also appreciated the efforts of Josh Petherbridge and two of the Ciminelli girls in assisting to bring Bonus back from her position as a castaway on the beach half way to Seaford. Suffice it to say the race was abandoned.

Pre Christmas results

Bushranger on CBH and Eskimo on a count back from Captain Moonlite on Performance Handicap were the trophy winners for this Series and Ravings congratulates all skippers and crews.

Post Christmas Series

With two recently purchased Careel 18s to join Casper, and David & Louise Richards purchasing Bill Dooley's Ultimate 18 and Mark Madler-Edwards getting his Converter 21 into shape and Warren Doreian teetering on the brink of racing his Ultimate 18, our enlarged fleet in the post Christmas Series should make it interesting on the start line.

Thanks

Leonie and the Raver were deeply appreciative of all the messages of support received re-

cently from CSC people generally and especially from C Division. and thank you all without exception for them. We wish you all the very best for the Christmas season and the New Year.

Pre-Christmas Series Results Trailerable - CBH

	Pts					Discard	Total
CONVERTER 21	6	6	6	6	6	6	24
CASPER	4	3	3	4	3	4	13
CAPTAIN MOONLITE	3	4	2	2	2	4	9
BUSHRANGER	1	1	1	3	1	3	4
ESKIMO	2	2	1	1	1	2	5
EXPECTING IN FEB	6	6	6	6	6	6	24
SALTY PLUM	6	6	6	6	6	6	24
INDULGENCE	6	6	6	6	6	6	24

Pre-Christmas Series Results Trailerable - Hep

	Pts					Discard	Total
CONVERTER 21	6	6	6	6	6	6	24
CASPER	4	3	3	3	1	4	10
CAPTAIN MOONLITE	2	4	2	2	2	4	8
BUSHRANGER	1	1	1	4	2	4	5
ESKIMO	3	2	2	1	2	3	7
EXPECTING IN FEB	6	6	6	6	6	6	24
SALTY PLUM	6	6	6	6	6	6	24
INDULGENCE	6	6	6	6	6	6	24

In The Wars

Carrum Sailing Club held its annual war on water on Sunday December 10 but that was not the only battle that took part on the day. Sailors had to fight the elements also.

Following the Messy Games and lunch 10 boats got out on the water to discharge water at each other. Water balloons were thrown and attempted to be caught for return of the favour but the popular weapon of choice was the water cannon. After a drenching the tactics degenerated to the throwing of buckets of water.

While this was going on a race was organised, course laid and start line set. A start sequence also proceeded but little attention was paid to that. The transferring of water continued.

Those who tried to get to the start line

Post-Christmas Duty Roster

Date	Event	Race Officer	Tower	Carrum 1	Carrum 2	Emergency Duty Crew
Feb 10th	Mono Heat 4	G DOUGHERTY	Controller C FLANAGAN Assistant K MCLELLAND	Driver: R COLE Assistant: G DOUGHERTY S WOOD	Driver: C FLANAGAN Assistants: K NORTON C TRELOAR	
Feb 17th	Multi Heat 4	H RUHSAM	Controller W LEWIS Assistant R FLANAGAN	Driver: H RUHSAM Assistant: S MURPHY L DAVID	Driver: M RUHSAM Assistants: M MADLER-EDWARDS S BLENCOWE	
Feb 24th	TS Heat 4	G DOUGHERTY	Controller: N LEWIS Assistant: S THOMAS	Driver: G DOUGHERTY Assistants: M DUGGAN	Driver: R SHILTON Assistants: T BURNETT J PETHERBRIDGE	
Mar 2nd	Mono Heat 5 Nat E	I BLENCOWE	Controller: K BLENCOWE Assistant: Kirsty HAIR	Driver: I BLENCOWE Assistants: D CIMINELLI S MCCLELLAND	Driver: C HAIR Assistants: G SCHERWINSKI R NAUGHTON	
Mar 16th	Multi Heat 5	G DOUGHERTY	Controller: J PARK Assistant: A HANSFORD M PARK	Driver: G DOUGHERTY Assistant: D RICHARDS	Driver: M MADLER-EDWARDS Assistants: P HANSFORD	
Mar 30th	TS Heat 5	M RUHSAM	Controller W LEWIS Assistant M GILBERT	Driver: M RUHSAM Assistant: D BURNETT	Driver: H RUHSAM Assistants: S MURPHY L DAVID	
Apr 6 th	Mono Heat 6	C HAIR	Controller: K HAIR Assistant: N LEWIS	Driver: C HAIR Assistants: R NAUGHTON D BURNETT	Driver: S MCCLELLAND Assistants: J PETHERBRIDGE M MADLER-EDWARDS	
Apr 13th	Mono Heat 6	R COLE	Controller C FLANAGAN Assistant K MCCLELLAND	Driver: C FLANAGAN Assistant: K NORTON	Driver: R COLE Assistants: C TRELOAR D RICHARDS	
Apr 20th	TS Heat 6	H RUHSAM	Controller: H RUHSAM Assistant: R FLANAGAN	Driver: M RUHSAM Assistant: A HANSFORD T BURNETT	Driver: R SHILTON Assistants: S THOMAS P HANSFORD	D BURNETT

had difficulty for apart from the watery distractions there was no wind. Chad and crew on Casper tried to sneak up on the course boat pretending to sail over the line but were propelled by the outboard. The observant boat crew noticed what was happening and managed to keep out of their way.

After some time most drifted out of range of the others and tried to round the course. At this time the sky darkened and a slight ripple appeared on the water signalling that some breeze had arrived. To the windward mark they sailed. Ross Shilton and Serena Thomas rounded happy for the race to be shortened at the windward mark for the second time. Rebecca Flanagan watched what Steve Murphy was doing, copied him and sailed away. She was the leading Sabre when nearing the windward mark the mainsheet block parted with the boat. She headed for shore on a run and by half way the wind had increased to 13 knots. At this stage the wind suddenly exceeded 30 knots. Travelling quicker than she has previously done she lost control and capsized. She was not alone

Rebecca climbed aboard the rescue boat and the sail taken down. The boat was then sent adrift to be collected later.

The crew on Casper and Josh Petherbridge opted not to join in the fun that followed. Casper's headsail was dropped prior to the gust and Josh had rounded the wind mark and just rode the weather to shore. All the others went over.

Ross and Serena were under spinnaker so naturally capsized. They also did a granny tack to avoid a repeat. Helen and Michael Ruhsam, without spinnaker, refused to gybe and sailed to the shore at Seaford where they capsized in the surf. They walked back to the club.

Steve Murphy started to lower his sail and capsized when it got stuck half way down. He completed lowering the sail and went to shore bare poled.

Tim Burnett went over and tried to right the boat but it cart-wheeled narrowly missing the attending rescue boat.

Dave Burnett turned turtle his cat and was attended by a rescue boat that tapped his rudder, breaking it. Safely on the upturned craft he sent the rescue boat away to attend others. When things had settled a little more the other rescue boat attended to Dave and tried to right him. With the tow line under the leeward hull the boat towed but the rope dug a hole in the hull. He was

then towed in upside down and left in the shallow water to get ashore. The mast dug into the sand and to add to his problems broke.

Steve McClelland found himself on the northern wall of the river and holed the port hull on reinforcement from the damaged concrete wall. After assistance from a number of people and hindrance from the Coast Guard the boat was taken to the shallows in the river righted and disassembled. It was then towed to the boat ramp and drained for collection later.

The most spectacular event was Captain Moonlite being knocked down. The centreboard came completely out of the water proving the designers tales of the knock down test accurate. One of the crew, Glenda, had to be retrieved as she started to float away.

After righting the boats wind instruments were reading 38 knots. No wonder she capsized.

There were two minor injuries. Tim suffered a bruised shoulder when the boat landed on it and Scott Blencowe who was assisting got a cut above his eye when the tiller extension flicked up.

Dean Ciminelli & Eric Clarke got out in the tinnie to assist with the rescuing while others helping out including Scott Shears and the life saving club.

Linda Goring also helped out gathering the children of the club members and getting them showered and changed for the later arrival of a jolly man in a red suit.

Thanks to all who helped.

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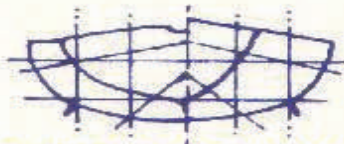


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Effort of the Month



Upstanding members

Most of the fleet went over during the blow of December 10. most of the fleet but remaining upstanding while the others were falling by the way were two vessels.

Josh Petherbridge was sailing Le Mog and Chad Hair, Lloyd Marks, Jenny Shears and Narelle (from the learn to sail course) on Casper therefore get this months award for seamanship.

See In The Wars on page 6 for details

Desperate for an effort

Last month the judges refrained from mentioning Dave Burnett leaving the bungs out of the rescue boat but they cannot refrain mentioning his latest attempt to receive this award.

At his next attendance at the club Dave brought his daughter Zoe for a sail and sent her out without the inspection holes being capped.

He could not have forgotten again. Judges believe that this was deliberate attempt to win the award and therefore he is disqualified.